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NAVAIR NOTICE 3960

From: Commander, Naval Air Systems Command

Subj: MONITORING OF AVIATION PROGRAMS BY THE NAVAL AIR SYSTEMS  
COMMAND TECHNICAL ASSURANCE BOARD

Ref: (a) NAVAIRINST 3960.5

1. Purpose. To update the list of aircraft programs to be monitored by the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) Technical Assurance Board (NTAB) (AIR-5.0E).
2. Scope. This notice applies to all NAVAIR sites, Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters (NAVAIRHQ), Business Units (BUs), and the Naval Aviation Program Executive Officers (PEOs); Program Executive Officer for Joint Strike Fighter (PEO(JSF)), Program Executive Officer for Tactical Aircraft (PEO(T)), Program Executive Officer for Air Anti-Submarine Warfare, Assault and Special Mission (PEO(A)), and the Program Executive Officer for Strike Weapons and Unmanned Aviation (PEO(W)).
3. Background. Reference (a) contains policy and procedures for NTAB monitoring of aircraft weapon system development.
4. Policy. The NTAB will monitor emerging programs critical to the warfighter, traditional Acquisition Category (ACAT) I, Naval Aviation programs (designated Department of Defense (DoD) Major Defense Acquisition Programs (MDAP)) and other select programs requested by Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) (N78), (N091), or the Developing Activity (DA). NTAB will monitor the following programs:

PROGRAMS:

AMCM (H-60)

CEC (E-2C)

MIDS (F/A-18C/D, E/F)

COGNIZANT PEO/PMA/PMS:

Assistant Secretary Navy Research  
Development Acquisition (ASN RD&A),  
PEO(A)/Multi-Mission/Helicopter  
(PMA299)/Project Manager, Naval Sea  
Systems Command, Airborne Mine  
Countermeasure (PMS210)

ASN RD&A PEO(T)/C-2/E-2  
Program (PMA231)

ASN RD&A PEO(T)/F/A-18 Strike

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	Fighter Program (PMA265)
AESA	ASN RD&A PEO(T)/PMA265
AH-1Z	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/Attack/Light Helicopters AH-1 (PMA276)
CV-22B	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/V-22 Program (PMA275)
EA-6B ICAP III	ASN RD&A PEO(T)/EA-6 Program (PMA234)
KC-130J	COMNAVAIRSYSCOM (AIR-1.0)/PMA207
MH-60R	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/PMA299
MH-60S	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/PMA299
MV-22B	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/PMA275
UH-1Y	ASN RD&A PEO(A)/PMA276

- Notes: 1. All programs are ACAT I except AMCM, EA-6B ICAP III, and KC-130J.  
 2. Each program will have an NTAB Coordinator from the Integrated Test Team, assigned by an NTAB Board Member.

5. Action. The NTAB will monitor the above listed programs as we are committed to adding value to developmental programs and ensuring that all technical problems are given appropriate visibility early with no surprises to decision makers in the end game. While monitoring, NTAB will report deficiencies by Yellow Sheet Reports, submit Quarterly Status Reports (QSRs) and Technical Assessments (TA) and when appropriate submit Issue Papers (IP) to ensure all technical and programmatic issues are given appropriate visibility at early stages of development. Once an aircraft or system successfully passes Operational Evaluation (OPEVAL), the NTAB monitoring is complete, except in the event of temporary waivers approved by CNO (N78) prior to OPEVAL. On these programs, NTAB will continue to monitor until commencement of first deployment.

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6. Contact. The NTAB coordinator can be reached on (301) 342-1113.



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